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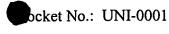
This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.　　(Original)　　A system for providing PBX-integrated unified messaging services on a wide-area network, comprising:

a corporate communication platform coupled to a switched backbone, integrated with a PBX via a PBX interface, and comprising a slave message mailbox cache; and

a plurality of system communication platforms coupled to said switched backbone, wherein one such system communication platform comprises a master message mailbox, wherein said slave message mailbox cache is synchronized with said master message mailbox.

2.　　(Original)　　The system of claim 1, wherein said switched backbone is the Internet.

3.　　(Original)　　The system of claim 1, wherein said PBX interface is managed and controlled through program control, said program control established by using modules that make API calls to a programming interface, wherein said corporate communication platform can deliver a message to and receive a message from extensions defined within said PBX.

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4.   (Original)   The system of claim 2, wherein said PBX interface is managed and controlled through program control, said program control established by using modules that make API calls to a programming interface, wherein said corporate communication platform can deliver a message to and receive a message from extensions defined within said PBX.

5.   (Original)   The system of claim 1, wherein said corporate communication platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

6.   (Original)   The system of claim 2, wherein said corporate communication platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

7.   (Original)   The system of claim 3, wherein said corporate communication platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

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8.   (Original)   The system of claim 4, wherein said corporate communication

platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's

voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said

master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

9.   (Withdrawn)

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18.   (Withdrawn)

19.   (Withdrawn)

20.   (Withdrawn)

21.   (Withdrawn)

22.   (Withdrawn)

23.   (Withdrawn)

24.   (Withdrawn)

25.   (Original)   An apparatus for providing PBX-integrated unified messaging

services on a wide-area network, comprising:

a corporate communication platform coupled to a switched backbone, integrated

with a PBX via a PBX interface, and comprising a slave message mailbox cache, wherein

said slave message mailbox cache is synchronized with a master message mailbox

accessible via said switched backbone.

26. (Original)   The apparatus of claim 25, wherein said switched backbone is the Internet.

27. (Original)   The apparatus of claim 25, wherein said PBX interface is managed and controlled through program control, said program control established by using modules that make API calls to a programming interface, wherein said corporate communication platform can deliver a message to and receive a message from extensions defined within said PBX.

28. (Original)   The apparatus of claim 26, wherein said PBX interface is managed and controlled through program control, said program control established by using modules that make API calls to a programming interface, wherein said corporate communication platform can deliver a message to and receive a message from extensions defined within said PBX.

29. (Original)   The apparatus of claim 25, wherein said corporate communication platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

30. (Original)   The apparatus of claim 26, wherein said corporate communication platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's

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voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

31.   (Original)   The apparatus of claim 27, wherein said corporate communication platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

32.   (Original)   The apparatus of claim 28, wherein said corporate communication platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

33.   (Original)   A method of providing PBX-integrated unified messaging services to one or more individual subscribers associated with a corporate subscriber, comprising:

integrating a corporate communication platform with said corporate subscriber's PBX system via a PBX interface;

coupling said corporate communication platform to said switched backbone and assigning a network identifier to said corporate communication platform;

assigning said corporate communication platform to be serviced by a system communication platform accessible via said switched backbone, wherein said corporate

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communication platform comprises a slave message mailbox cache synchronized with a

master message mailbox on said system communication platform;

initializing a network mailbox on said system communication platform for each

said individual subscribers; and

transmitting copies of all messages received at said system communication

platform that correspond to each of said individual subscribers to said corporate
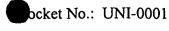
communication platform.

34.   (Original)   The method of claim 33, wherein said switched backbone is the

Internet.

35.   (Original)   The method of claim 33, wherein said PBX interface is managed

and controlled through program control, said program control established by using

modules that make API calls to a programming interface, wherein said corporate

communication platform can deliver a message to and receive a message from extensions

defined within said PBX.

36.   (Original)   The method of claim 34, wherein said PBX interface is managed

and controlled through program control, said program control established by using

modules that make API calls to a programming interface, wherein said corporate

communication platform can deliver a message to and receive a message from extensions

defined within said PBX.

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37.   (Original)   The method of claim 33, wherein said corporate communication

platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's

voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said

master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

38.   (Original)   The method of claim 34, wherein said corporate communication

platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's

voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said

master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

39.   (Original)   The method of claim 35, wherein said corporate communication

platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's

voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said

master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

40.   (Original)   The method of claim 36, wherein said corporate communication

platform can command said PBX to activate the message waiting light on a PBX user's

voice terminal equipment when a message for said PBX user is transmitted from said

master message mailbox to said slave mailbox cache.

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41.   (Original)   The system of claim 1, wherein said unified messaging includes voice messaging.

42.   (Original)   The system of claim 1, wherein said unified messaging includes voice messaging and fax messaging.

43.   (Original)   The system of claim 1, wherein said unified messaging includes voice messaging and e-mail messaging.

44.   (Original)   The system of claim 1, wherein said unified messaging includes voice messaging, fax messaging, and e-mail messaging.

45.   (Original)   The system of claim 1, wherein said unified messaging includes fax messaging and e-mail messaging.

46.   (Original)   The system of claim 2, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

47.   (Original)   The system of claim 3, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

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48.   (Original)   The system of claim 4, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

49.   (Original)   The system of claim 5, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

50.   (Original)   The system of claim 6, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

51.   (Original)   The system of claim 7, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

52.   (Original)   The system of claim 8, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

53.   (Original)   The apparatus of claim 25, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

54.   (Original)   The apparatus of claim 26, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

55.   (Original)   The apparatus of claim 27, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

56.   (Original)   The apparatus of claim 28, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

57.   (Original)   The apparatus of claim 29, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

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58.   (Original)   The apparatus of claim 30, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

59.   (Original)   The apparatus of claim 31, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

60.   (Original)   The apparatus of claim 32, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

61.   (Original)   The method of claim 33, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

62.   (Original)   The method of claim 34, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

63.   (Original)   The method of claim 35, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

64.   (Original)   The method of claim 36, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

65.   (Original)   The method of claim 37, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

66.   (Original)   The method of claim 38, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

67.   (Original)   The method of claim 39, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

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68. (Original) The method of claim 40, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.

69. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein said PBX is selected from the group consisting of analog PBXs, digital PBXs, Centrex PBXs and Internet Protocol ("IP") PBXs.